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THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" A communiqué was issued but as I understand the English language, no conceding could be inferred from it."

Detection of crimes within the jurisdiction of the Manjeri Police station.

* 214 *Q*.—JANAB K. M. SEETHI : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether their attention has been drawn to the existence of a large number of serious crimes of recent happening undetected within the jurisdiction of the Manjeri Police station in Malabar;

(*b*) the reasons for the failure to detect the said crimes; and

(*c*) whether any special measures have been taken to detect the crimes and allay public anxiety?

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" (*a*) & (*b*) There were two serious crimes of recent happening within the jurisdiction of Manjeri Police Station in Malabar. Of these, one was detected, but the other could not be detected in spite of vigorous efforts as no disinterested witnesses were available.

" (*c*) Every effort was made and intensive police patrolling of the villages of the area was also carried out. There is no need for public anxiety."

JANAB K. M. SEETHI :—" May I know, Sir, if in respect of the crimes that have not been detected, efforts to detect them will be continued? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" The hon. Member is aware that, with the lapse of time, evidence gets more and more unreliable and the court will not accept such evidence and to take it to court is of no use."

10-50 a.m. DR. K. B. MENON :—" Are the Government aware of the statements issued by Malabar leaders in 'Mathruboomi,' complaining about frequent acquittals in murder cases that come up before the Sessions Court? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" We cannot help these comments."

SRI M. JAGANNATHAN :—" The Hon. Chief Minister stated that two crimes were perpetrated in the locality in question. May I know what exactly these crimes were? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" I think they are murders and in addition some looting."

Salary of Hon. Chief Minister.

* 215 *Q*.—SRI S. S. KOLKEBAIL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Hon. the Chief Minister is drawing his pay as Chief Minister of this State in addition to his pension as ex-Governor-General of India, and if so, what the amount is?

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THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Yes, Sir. The Chief Minister draws a salary of Rs. 1,000 a month and also a house rent allowance and a conveyance allowance of Rs. 250 each."

SRI C. V. K. RAO :—" Is it dignified for an ex-Governor-General of India to be the Chief Minister of a disintegrating State? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" I do not stand on such dignities, Sir." (Laughter.)

SRI D. KRISHNAMURTHY GOUNDER :—" Is it a fact that His Excellency the Governor stated at Salem that the Hon. Chief Minister was serving without receiving any salary, a practice which he could not himself follow? Was this statement of His Excellency the Governor contradicted by the Hon. Chief Minister? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" It is true that the Governor made a wrong statement."

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN :—" May I know whether the Hon. Chief Minister's claim for his pay was objected to by the Accountant-General? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" No, Sir."

Dispute between Ambi's Cafe, Madras, and its workers.

* 216 Q.—SRI S. PAKKIRISWAMI PILLAY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state whether the Government have refused to refer the disputes between the Ambi's Cafe, Madras, and its workers to a Tribunal?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" At first the Government considered that there was no case for adjudication but later, on representations received, the case is again under the consideration of the Government. The representation of the President of the State Labour Union is again under consideration of the Government and the Commissioner of Labour has been asked to see if conciliation could once again be attempted."

SRI S. PAKKIRISWAMI PILLAY :—" May I know which official of the Government was responsible for the delay of four months in replying to the protests of the Union with regard to the discriminatory treatment, and may I also know whether the Government will give the reason for this delay? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" I want notice of the question, Sir."

SRI S. C. C. ANTHONY PILLAI :—" Certain industrial disputes which arose in the hotel industry were referred to the Industrial Tribunal, which gave an award. If disputes arose after the award, the Government have been urging the employers to voluntarily accept the recommendations of the Tribunal and grant the wage-scales recommended by the Tribunal. If they refused to do